

MORE BATTLE-SHIPS FOR PEACE, NOT WAR, ROOSEVELT'S CALL

President Asking Four New Big Sea
Fighters For Navy, Reminds Con-
gress In Special Message That
We Have Two Ocean Fronts.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—President Roosevelt to-day sent a special message to Congress, urging the building of four new battle-ships of the largest and most approved type at once.

The arguments of the President to impress his insistence on this naval programme were few, but calculated to be effective. China was held up as an example of the "peace at any price" doctrine, and Great Britain, as having the naval policy to be emulated.

The result of the last Hague conference made it plain that the nations would not for some time, if ever, agree on a plan of limitation of naval armament. Arbitration, the President holds, cannot be relied upon as an effective remedy, though it should be utilized to its fullest extent.

Disclaiming any intention on the part of the United States ever to engage in a war of conquest, the President made it plain that this country could ill afford to relapse into a place where insult would have to be borne in silence.

"Let me again urge upon the Congress, of a size of armament which grows," says the President, "the need of providing for four battle-ships of the best and most advanced type at this session. Prior to the recent Hague conference it had been my hope that an agreement could be reached between the different nations to limit the increase of naval armaments, and especially to limit the size of warships.

"Under these circumstances, I felt that the construction of one battle-ship a year would keep our navy up to its then positive and relative strength. But actual experience showed not merely that it was impossible to obtain such an agreement for the limitation of armaments among the various leading powers, but that there was no likelihood whatever of obtaining it in the future within any reasonable time.

"Coincidentally with this discovery occurred a radical change in the building of battleships among the great military nations—a change in accordance with which the most modern battleships have been or are being con-

sponsibility. I earnestly advise that the Congress now provide four battleships of the most advanced type.

"I cannot too emphatically say that this is a measure of peace and not of war. I can conceive of no circumstances under which this republic would enter into an aggressive war; most certainly, under no circumstances would it enter into an aggressive war to extend its territory or in any other manner seek material aggrandizement.

"I advocate that the United States build a navy commensurate with its powers and its needs, because I feel that such a navy will be the surest guaranty and safeguard of peace. We are not a military nation. Our army is too small to present an almost absurd contrast to our size. It is properly treated as little more than a nucleus for organization in case of serious war. Yet, we are a rich nation, and undevoted wealth invites aggression.

"The very liberty of individual speech and action, which we so prize and guard, renders it possible that at times unexpected causes of friction with foreign powers may suddenly develop.

"At this moment we are negotiating arbitration treaties with all the other great powers that are willing to enter into them. These arbitration treaties have a special usefulness, because in the event of some sudden disagreement they render it morally incumbent upon both nations to seek first to reach an agreement through arbitration, and at least secure a breathing space during which the cool judgment of the two nations involved may get the upper hand over any momentary burst of passion.

"These arbitration treaties are entered into not only with the hope of preventing wars, but also as a proof that we have no intention of doing wrong ourselves.

Foolish Reliance.
"Yet it is idle to assume and, from the standpoint of national interest and honor, it is mischievous folly for any statesman to assume that this world is yet so peaceful and so free from within measurable distance of the stage, when a proud nation, jealous of its honor and conscious of its great mission in the world, can be content to rely for peace upon the forbearance of other powers. It would be equally foolish to rely upon each of them possessing at all times and under all circumstances and provocations an altruistic regard for the rights of others.

China an Object Lesson.
"These who hold this view are blind indeed to all that has gone on before their eyes in the world at large. They are blind to what has happened in China, in Turkey, in the Spanish possessions, in Central and South Africa, during the last dozen years.

"For centuries China has cultivated the very spirit which our own people at any time men with this country to adopt. For centuries China has refused to provide military forces and has treated the career of the soldier as inferior in honor and regard to the career of the merchant or of the man of letters. There never has been so large an empire which for so long a time has so resolutely proceeded on the theory of doing away with what is called militarism.

"When a nation is so happily situated as ours here, when it has no reason to fear or to be feared by its land neighbors—the fleet is all the more necessary for the preservation of peace. Great Britain has been saved by its fleet from the necessity of facing one of the two alternatives—of submission to conquest by a foreign power or of itself becoming a great military power.

"The United States can hope for a permanent career of peace on only one condition and that is, on condition of building and maintaining a first-class navy, and the step to be taken toward

EQUITABLE TRUST MERGER UPHELD

High Court Approves Agree-
ment with Mercantile, Op-
posed by a Stockholder.

ALBANY, April 14.—In a decision handed down by the Court of Appeals to-day the proposed merger of the Equitable Trust Company with the Mercantile Trust Company, of New York City, is upheld. Bainbridge Colby, a minority stockholder of the Equitable Trust Company, owning 200 shares, objected to the merger. No opinion accompanies the decision. The order of the Appellate Division is affirmed without comment.

Colby charged among other things that the real purpose and effect of the merger was to acquire for the benefit of the Mercantile Trust Company \$200,000 of the assets of the Equitable Trust Company without adequate compensation. There were two questions certified for answer by the court. The first, answered in the affirmative, was whether the Trust Companies were subject to certain sections of the State Banking law, permitting the merger of the corporations, and could legally be merged under the law.

The second question, answered in the negative, was whether the banking law permitting such a merger against the dissent of a portion of the stockholders of such corporation of the State Banking law, permitting the merger of the corporations, and could legally be merged under the law.

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Be Able to Repel Insult.

"To carry out this policy is but to act in the spirit of George Washington; is but to continue the policies which he outlined when he said, 'Observe good faith and justice toward all nations. Cultivate peace and harmony with all. Nothing is more essential than that permanent inveterate antipathies against particular nations and passionate attachments for others should be excluded, and that in place of them just and amicable feelings toward all should be cultivated.'

"I cannot recommend to your notice measures for the fulfillment of our duties to the rest of the world without again pressing upon you the necessity of placing ourselves in a condition of complete defense and of exacting from them the fulfillment of their duties toward us. The United States ought not to indulge a persuasion that, contrary to the order of human events, they will forever keep at a distance those powers which are armed with which the history of every other nation abounds. There is a rank due to the United States among nations which will be withheld, if not absolutely lost, by the reputation of weakness. If we desire peace, one of the most powerful instruments we must be able to avoid insult we must be able to repel it; if we desire to secure peace, one of the most powerful instruments we must be able to avoid insult we must be able to repel it; if we desire to secure peace, one of the most powerful instruments we must be able to avoid insult we must be able to repel it.

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